GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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WATER MANAGEMENT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Water management majors to enter India" appearing in the Hindustan Times dated July 16, 2002;

(b) if so, the names of the global water management companies which have been awarded the contract for water management; and

(c) the other steps being considered by the Government for river-to river water management?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Water being a State subject, schemes are planned, formulated, implemented and funded by the State Governments. As reported by the State Government, there is a proposal to take up improvement of water supply and sewerage services in Bangalore city by taking up 'Delegated Management Contract' for a period of 5 years through private sector participation. Global Water Management majors, VIVENDI Water and ONDEO a subsidiary of Suez have shown interest in taking up Management Contract which is under consideration of Government of Karnataka.